



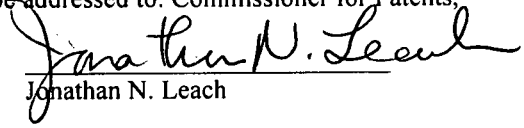
PATENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of: :  
Mark Alistair POLETTI :  
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Appl. No.: 09/197,096 : Art Unit: 2643  
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Filed: November 20, 1998 : Examiner: LAO, Lun S.  
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For: AN IMPROVED GUITAR : Atty Docket: 0805774-0004  
PREAMPLIFIER SYSTEM WITH :  
CONTROLLABLE DISTORTION : Customer Number: 24280  
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**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION**

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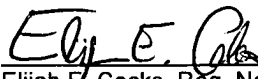
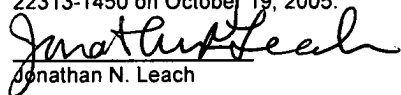
This paper is being provided in response to the Final Office Action dated May 19, 2005, for the above-captioned U.S. patent application, and accompanies a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) filed herewith.

**Amendments to the Claims** are listed beginning on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 9 of this paper.

It is not believed that extensions of time or fees for net addition of claims are required, beyond those which may otherwise be provided for in documents accompanying this paper. However, in the event that additional extensions of time are necessary, then such extensions of time are hereby petitioned under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), and any fees required for consideration of this paper (including fees for net addition of claims) are authorized to be charged in two copies of an Amendment Transmittal Letter filed herewith.



AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL LETTER				Docket Number 0805774-0004		Applicant Mark Alistair POLETTI	
Application Number 08/097,096		Filing Date November 20, 1998		Examiner LAO, Lun S.		Art Unit 2643	
Invention Title AN IMPROVED GUITAR PREAMPLIFIER SYSTEM WITH CONTROLLABLE DISTORTION							
<b>TO THE COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS</b>							
Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application, including:							
<p>(X) Amendment and Response (19 Pages); (X) Request for Continued Examination (RCE) (in duplicate) and check for \$790.00; (X) Petition for Two Month Extension of Time (1 Page) (in duplicate) and check for \$450.00; (X) Declaration Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.132 by Dr. Colin Fox (3 Pages); and (X) Return Receipt Postcard.</p>							
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INDEPENDENT CLAIMS	4	minus	9	0	x \$200	\$0	
MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM ADDED					\$360		
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